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SUBJECT Millard Dee Groubbs

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Director, FBI

MILLARD DEE GRUBBS
BOMBING MATTERS

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On February 12, 1959, Millard Dee Grubbs telephonically contacted our Louisville Office to render a "formal complaint" concerning the Bureau's participation in bombing and integration matters.

Grubbs alleged that he has received telephone calls and letters from all over the United States asking him to determine the Bureau's jurisdiction in these matters. He added that he was writing an article questioning the FBI's jurisdiction and that he was seriously considering seeking injunctive remedies in Federal court.

He also stated that he would correspond with the Attorney General; however, he pointed out that he had no respect for Department of Justice officials and during the course of the conversation Grubbs accused the Attorney General of using the FBI for personal gain and glory.

Grubbs, who is reported to be a disbarred attorney, is President of the Citizens Council of Kentucky, Incorporated, which is opposed to integration. Grubbs has stated that he abhors violence and seeks his objectives by legal means such as court action and the dissemination of information.

NOTE:

Grubbs expressed admiration for the Director and the FBI. He stated that his most recent inquiry regarding Bureau jurisdiction was from [redacted]

[redacted] of the National States Rights Party. He has been associated with suspects of the [redacted] and has previously challenged the Bureau's jurisdiction and threatened to sue the Agents who investigated him regarding the [redacted] case.

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jurisdiction of the FBI in the above mentioned matters. He said he was in the process of writing an article questioning the FBI's jurisdiction and that he was seriously considering injunctive remedies in Federal Court. He explained his most recent calls came from [redacted] who had solicited GRUBB's assistance in determining the investigative jurisdiction question.

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When GRUBBS again presented the question of investigative jurisdiction he specifically mentioned the investigations concerning bombings, integration, and civil rights and then qualified his statement by saying that he knew the FBI had investigative jurisdiction in civil rights matters. He then added that he had before him all of the newly proposed legislation presently to be considered by Congress but that none of the legislation had been acted upon and therefore he could see no investigative jurisdiction having been delegated specifically to the FBI.

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At this point GRUBBS was advised that he should correspond with the Attorney General's Office concerning any legal questions involved. He said he would do this immediately but again pointed out that he had no respect for the Department of Justice officials and had received his information concerning civil rights matters through correspondence with Mr. BATTLES, Chairman of the Civil Rights Commission.

After the above conversation GRUBBS again referred to [redacted]. He said [redacted] had telephonically contacted GRUBBS today, February 12, 1959, asking GRUBB's assistance as legal counsel and when GRUBBS refused [redacted] said "They," meaning the FBI, "are bringing you into the investigation." GRUBBS said he asked what the FBI had said, to which [redacted] replied "Special Agent [redacted] told [redacted] that you were a dictator." GRUBBS said he immediately contacted [redacted], at which time [redacted] admitted he had been interviewed by Bureau Agents at which time there was no mention made of GRUBBS and that the inquiry of [redacted] was not directed towards GRUBBS or any of his organizations.

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GRUBBS was told that no comment could be made by this office regarding any investigation which was being conducted or whether such investigation was being conducted and that he should not infer from this that such investigation was or was not being conducted.

[redacted] referred to above, appears to be identical with [redacted]

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[redacted] Kentucky, who was interviewed on January 26, 1959, by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] of this office regarding an allegation that [redacted] OMER JEFFRIES, now deceased, may have attempted to organize a chapter of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) in the Louisville area in the spring of 1958. During the interview [redacted] voluntarily told of [redacted] connections with [redacted] and MILLARD DEE GRUBBS. His remarks in this respect are set forth on Pages 3 and 4 of the report of SA [redacted] dated February 11, 1959, at Louisville, captioned [redacted]; ET AL; INFORMATION CONCERNING" (Bureau file 62-105023).

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SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] have advised that [redacted] allegation that SA [redacted] told [redacted] that GRUBBS is a dictator is entirely false.

With respect to [redacted] it is to be noted that he has made unfounded allegations against the FBI on several occasions in the past. In this connection the Bureau is referred to Louisville airtel to Bureau, dated December 4, 1958, in the [redacted] matter mentioned above. The Bureau is also referred to Louisville letter, dated January 16, 1959, captioned [redacted]; RACIAL MATTERS" (Bureau file 105-14030). [redacted] is carried as a general suspect in connection with investigations of bombings in the racial matters field.

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In this connection the Bureau is referred to Louisville letter, dated January 30, 1959, captioned "BOMBINGS AND ATTEMPTED BOMBINGS; RACIAL MATTERS" (Bureau file 62-245-27). The Bureau will also note that [] is mentioned on numerous occasions in reports submitted by the Atlanta Office in the [] matter.

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Considerable background information regarding MILLARD DEE GRUBBS is set forth in the report of SA [] dated November 28, 1958, at Louisville, in the [] matter (Pages 15 - 45).

GRUBBS, although he has made no direct allegations against the FBI on his own behalf, has relayed such allegations which were initiated by others. In this connection the Bureau is referred to Louisville letter, dated November 7, 1958, in the [] matter.

GRUBBS is also carried as a general suspect in connection with investigations in the racial matters field as will be noted in the previously mentioned Louisville letter of January 30, 1959, captioned "BOMBINGS AND ATTEMPTED BOMBINGS."

This is being furnished for the Bureau's information, particularly in view of the possibility that GRUBBS may communicate with the Department of Justice regarding FBI jurisdiction.

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